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SUBJECT: ECUADOR'S RESPONSE TO ILO DEMARCHE

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[1](#)B. QUITO 520

[1](#)1. Minister of Labor Raul Izurieta telephoned LabOff on March 15 to respond to a non-paper the Embassy had delivered on March 2 (reftels). Izurieta said he had seen a summary of the ILO's proposed budget for 2006-2007. He did not comment on the organization's budget, but hopes that the ILO will not raise its dues. Ecuador's priorities for the ILO include obtaining an ILO review of Ecuador's labor laws, receiving support for reforming GoE-conducted labor inspections, improving in-country occupational health and safety, and receiving ILO support for Ecuador's National Labor Council.
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